



# Post Office Act 1969

## 1969 CHAPTER 48

### PART III

#### THE NEW AUTHORITY FOR THE CONDUCT OF POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHIC BUSINESS

##### *Miscellaneous Matters*

#### **78 Penalization of improper use of telecommunication services**

A person who—

- (a) sends, by means of a public telecommunication service, a message or other matter that is grossly offensive or of an indecent, obscene or menacing character ; or
- (b) for the purpose of causing annoyance, inconvenience or needless anxiety to another, sends by those means a message that he knows to be false or persistently makes use for that purpose of public telecommunication services;

shall be guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding £50.